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WHERE THE MAGIC LIVES

Hello and welcome to Adventure Island.

The sunlight is beginning to show itself more and more and the days are slowly getting warmer and longer. It's lovely to see the lighter evenings as they mean later walks and time to find the deer in the soft light of sundown.

The squirrels also seem to be enjoying the warmer weather and they've been constant companions on our walks, although they keep an eye out for Eppie because as you know, she loves chasing them if she gets the chance!

The mornings are getting lighter too and this means that Brahms the Robin has been chirping his heart out to welcome the day. I have tried feeding him out of my hand but for now he's not interested - he's far too busy making himself known as he looks down over the valley, and who can blame him?

Wherever you are in the world, I hope you and your family are staying safe. As the world hopefully begins to open up again, I also hope that the magic of Adventure Island can go with you...

Keep playing, Greg :)

"Joy is not made to be a crumb..."

Mary OLIVER



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ADVENTURE ISLAND AWAITS!!

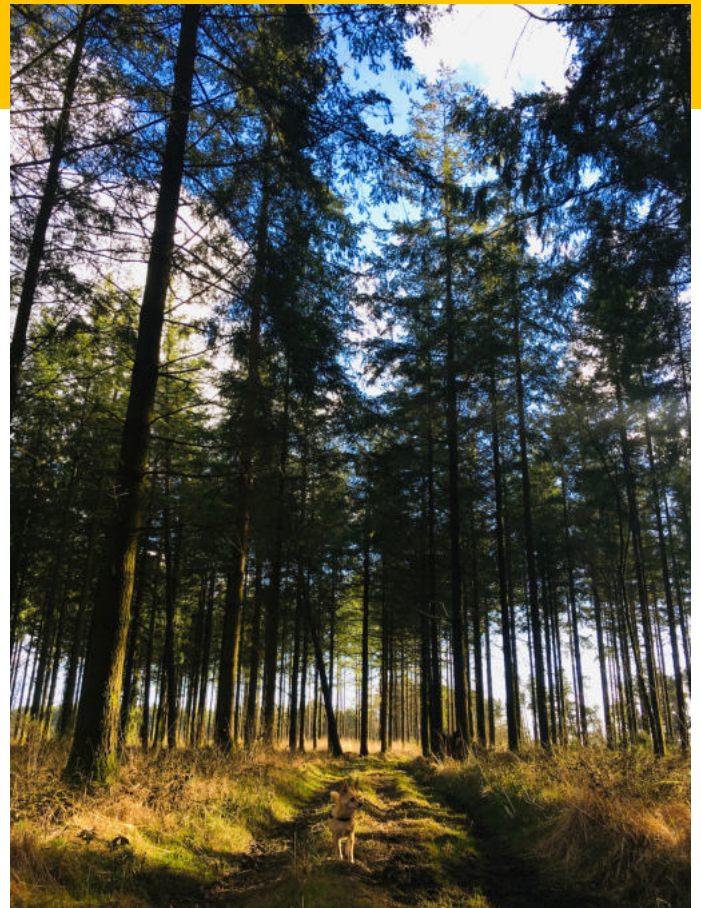
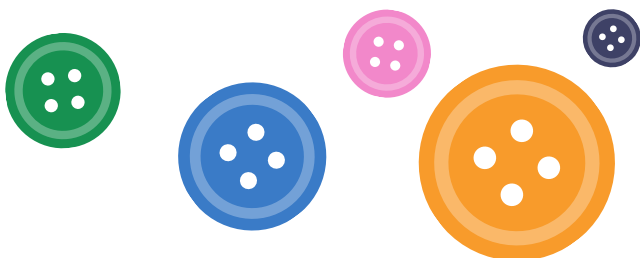
A WORLD INSIDE THIS WORLD...

Adventure Island is right in front of you. Once you see it, then it can always be there for you. Everyone belongs on Adventure Island along with every story and their characters. It's a landscape where the magic of children meets the magic of story - it's time to step in and adventure...



HELLO FROM SCRUFF!

Hi! I'm Scruff. I'm the blackbird that you see at the start of Adventure Island TV as the Gang go through the Magic Mustard Tin into the Adventure Island. This month, I'm looking for the largest button to put in my nest! Can you spot it?



Why not send your drawings and photos of your adventures to Scruff and the Gang? We can add them to the pages in the magazine so everyone can see the magic!!

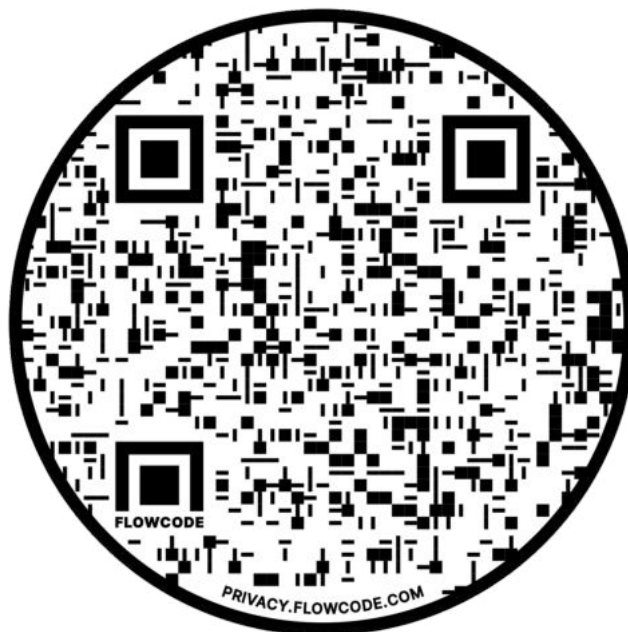




ADVENTURE ISLAND AUDIO

If you'd like to add to the adventures and listen to Greg sing the rhymes and tell the story from this issue, then why not scan the QR code below or enter the link into your search engine. It'll open the door to The Great Big Story Cupboard - see you there!!

bit.ly/3uJ9seU



Why not sing or hum along with Greg and Scruff?
Whatever you chose to do, enjoy the magic!





A BIG HELLO FROM GREG!!

Greg wants to buy some new footwear for Hoddy Dod the giant. Can you help him choose? Take a look and chat about which ones you like. Greg likes the blue flip flops but he's not sure Hoddy Dod will find them comfortable!



PARENTS - take a look at the photo with your child and see what 'pops out' at you. I wonder how many there are altogether and are there any words you can think of to describe the shoes? I wonder where the other half of each pair is?



To call Hoddy Dod we need to shout:

toodle ee!





HERE COMES HODDY DOD!

Hoddy Dod is on his way! I can hear him coming through the wood and his footsteps are really loud. Let's listen to the sounds he makes as he walks...

crash!



stomp!

boom!



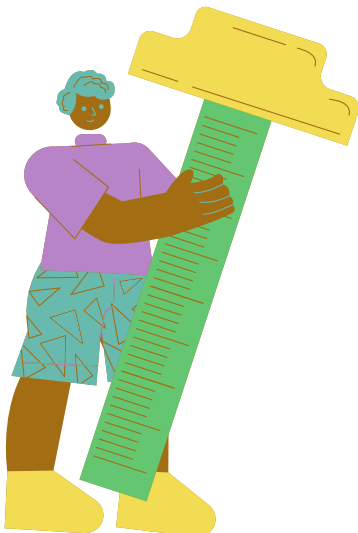
crunch!



bosh!



stamp!



Can you stomp around just like Hoddy Dod? I wonder what sounds your feet will make?





THE HODDY DOD HOP

As Hoddy Dod makes his way through the wood, he sings a song...

THE HODDY DOD HOP

Toodle ee (Stomp, stomp)
Toodle ee (stamp, stamp)
Hoddy Dod is coming this way...

Toodle ee (crash, crash)
Toodle ee (bosh, bosh)
Hoddy Dod is coming this way...

As high as a mountain
As gentle as the breeze
Won't you come and toodle ee please?

Toodle ee (crunch, crunch)
Toodle ee (boom, boom)
Hoddy Dod is coming this way...

Toodle ee (bounce, bounce)
Toodle ee (hop, hop)
Hoddy Dod is coming this way...

As high as a mountain
As gentle as the breeze
Won't you come and toodle ee please?

HERE HE COMES!!





THE HODDY DOD'S MAGIC BEANS

Hoddy Dod has leaned down and given us some magic beans in two bags.

'Take a look' at the beans and chat about what you can see...



PARENTS

'Take a look' means to let what you see 'pop out' at you...

You might see that there are more orange beans, that there are six beans altogether, each bag has the same number of beans in...

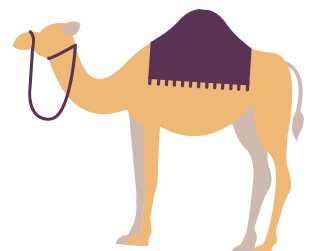
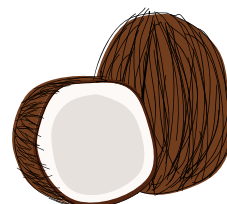
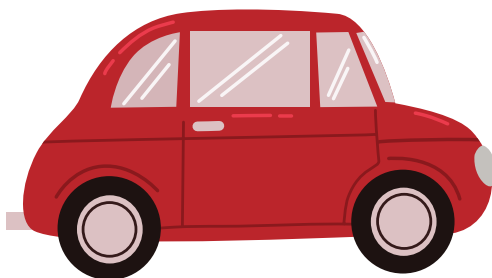




THE MAGIC BEANS

Hoddy Dod dropped one of the magic beans and now it's starting to grow. I wonder what we'll find at the top of the beanstalk when it reaches up to the Cloudigans?

What do you notice? I wonder which one you'd like to find? Or maybe you can think of other things that begin with c that might be up there!



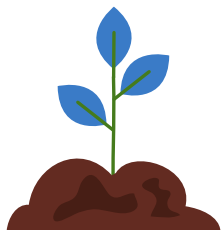


THE MAGIC BEANS 2

Oh dear! Hoddy Dod has dropped all his beans - he had a hole in his pocket!!

The beans are growing numbers but they are all in a 'Number Muddle'. Can you spot the order from 1-10 that they should grow in?

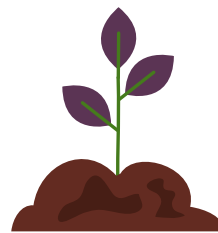
One of the beans doesn't have a number - I wonder what number it will be?



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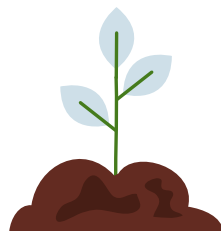
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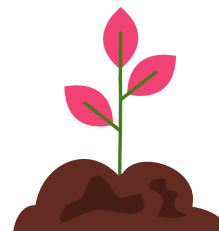
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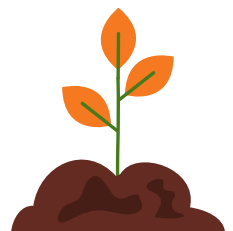
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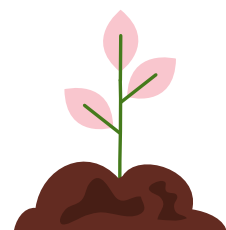
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GOODBYE HODDY DOD

Hoddy Dod is going to go home to ask the birds if they can fix the hole in his pocket. As he wanders off, he sings a different song and it goes like this:

Toodle oo

tap

Toodle oo to Hoddy Dod
Hoddy Dod, Hoddy Dod
Toodle oo to Hoddy Dod
Tap your knees together!

tap

tap

Toodle oo to Hoddy Dod
Hoddy Dod, Hoddy Dod
Toodle oo to Hoddy Dod
Tap your feet together!

clap

clap

Toodle oo to Hoddy Dod
Hoddy Dod, Hoddy Dod
Toodle oo to Hoddy Dod
Clap your hands together!

clap

Toodle oo to Hoddy Dod
Hoddy Dod, Hoddy Dod
Toodle oo to Hoddy Dod
Jump up and down together!

jump

tap





STORY DREAMING...

Brahms the Robin and Thimble the Christmas Mouse brought story dreaming to Adventure Island and today it's Thimble's turn to try. I wonder what little story she will dream for us?



Thimble is going to 'story dream' an image for us to put in our heads. We can then imagine what will happen and dream a little story about it!

Here we go!

a kangaroo on a swing



Can you see a kangaroo in your mind? I can.

My kangaroo is red and she has a long red tail. Can you see the red kangaroo in your mind?

My kangaroo is called Frankie and she is swinging on a swing back and forth. Can you see Frankie the red kangaroo on the swing? She's swinging really high!

She's with her friends - a little hedgehog and a squirrel. They are on a seesaw. Can you see the little hedgehog and a squirrel in your mind? Mine are going up and down. Oh no! The little hedgehog fell off with a bump! Frankie is coming over to see if everything is okay and she's put the little hedgehog in her pouch. Can you see the little hedgehog's nose poking out of Frankie's pouch?

Frankie is hopping over to an ice cream van and the squirrel is running behind her. Frankie is going to buy them all an ice cream. I wonder what flavour ice cream she'll buy? Can you see the three ice creams in your head? I wonder what they look like? I think I can smell chocolate and strawberry and vanilla!

Parents - story dreaming is a way of exercising the 'muscle' of imagination. It isn't about 'can you do it', it is more about showing children that it is possible and that you can story dream about anything you wish and wherever you are.

Story dreaming shows children that story belongs to them and that we can be story dreamers together - give it a go. There's no right or wrong, your story can take you anywhere...



THE PET PORTAL

There is a Pet Portal on Adventure Island which you can use to send photos of your pets!

This fab little chap is Charlie and he is best friends with his owner, Dawn who loves him very much!



Dawn and Charlie go on lots of walks together and even though some of these walks are long, Charlie doesn't mind one little bit. See that lovely black nose of his? Well Charlie can use that to sniff out anything from miles around!

He loves sniffing out the smell of fish and chips, dog biscuits, cheese, and squirrels too! When he smells a squirrel, Charlie is off and away to go and play and chase with them. If he could, Charlie would even climb up a tree to go and play, all the time happily barking and jumping.

At night time, Charlie curls up in his little bed, safe and warm and dreams about running and playing in the fields. His favourite dream is finding sticks to chew and chomp - what a great dog he is!!

Tonight Charlie is dreaming of a family of squirrels. There are five of them - can you see them in your mind too? They are all wearing little red jackets, sitting in the branches of a tall tree and throwing nuts for Charlie to fetch. Can you see Charlie running after the nuts and bringing them back? And if you listen carefully you can hear him barking happily!

Hurray for Charlie!





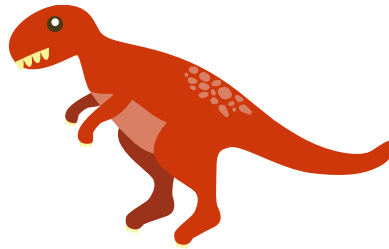
GUSTAVE AND THE DINKY DINOSAURS

On Adventure Island, if you listen very carefully, you'll hear the Dinky Dinosaurs. They are tiny dinosaurs that think they are bigger than they really are!

Let's meet them!!!



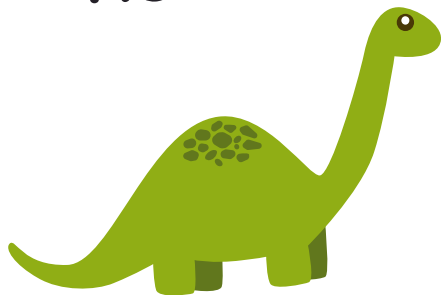
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Bunny



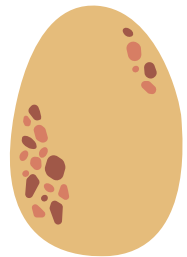
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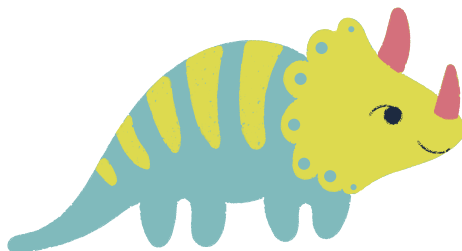
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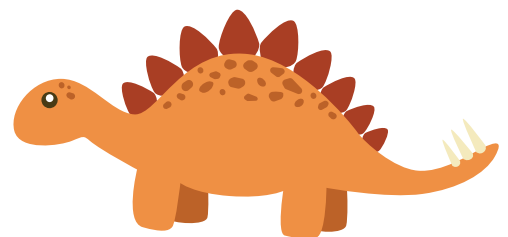
Billie



Egg



Spud



Waffle

I wonder which one is your favourite? Bonnie likes Waffle, and Eppie likes Billie because she can fly! Greg's favourite is Orwell because he has a super long green neck, just right for reaching things that are high up!





SLEEPING DINKY DINOSAURS

The Dinky Dinosaurs are all fast asleep. Shhh! Don't wake them!
Let's sing a lullaby to keep them in the Land of Nod...



Sleeping Dinky Dinosaurs
Sleep, sleep, sleep
Sleeping Dinky Dinosaurs
Sleep, sleep, sleep.



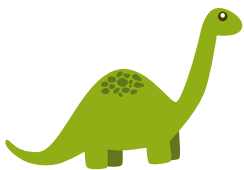
Tiptoe round the garden
Tiptoe in the street
Sleeping Dinky Dinosaurs
Sleep, sleep, sleep.



Whisper to the Moon
Whisper to your feet
Sleeping Dinky Dinosaurs
Sleep, sleep, sleep.



Quiet when you're hopping
Quiet when you leap
Sleeping Dinky Dinosaurs
Sleep, sleep, sleep.



Dream of potatoes
Dream of counting sheep
Sleeping Dinky Dinosaurs
Sleep, sleep, sleep.

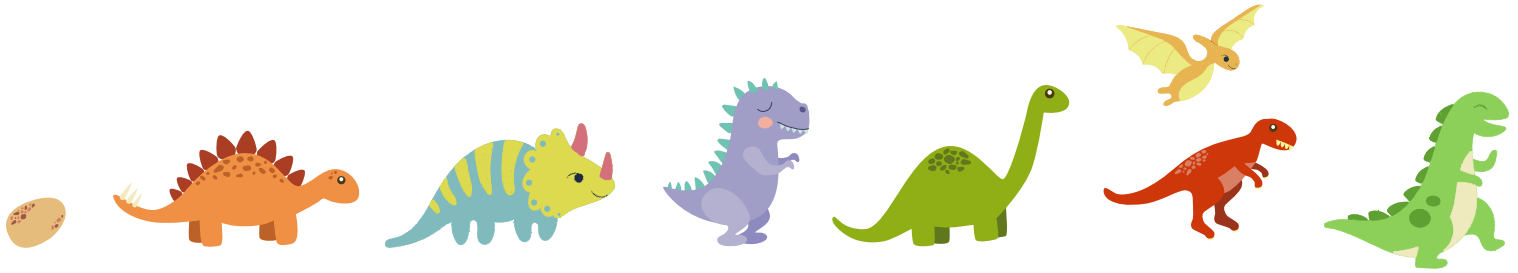


Egg rolls along behind the rest of the Dinky Dinosaurs. They aren't really sure what's inside Egg, but whatever it is, it likes music!!





THE DINKY DINOSAURS AND THE CHOCOLATE RIVER

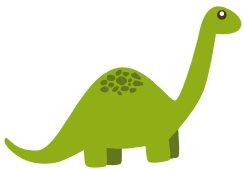


Oh no! The Dinky Dinosaurs have come to the Chocolate River and they can't get across!

Gustave thinks there should be 7 seven stepping stones to get across. Are there enough stones?



Hhmm there aren't 7!



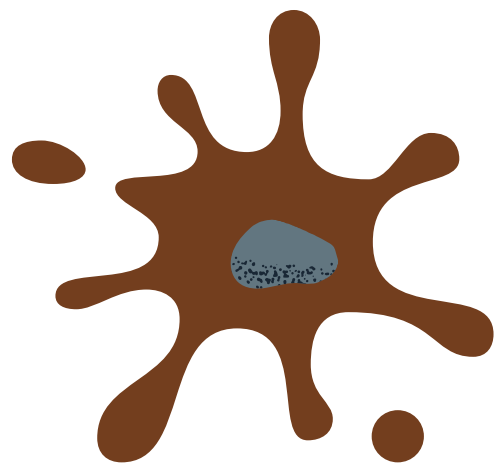
Orwell thinks that the passcode might make one more appear...

scooch

No that didn't do it!



Waffle has spotted something. There's another stone in the mud. Can we pull it out? Let's all count to 10 and give it a heave!!



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10!

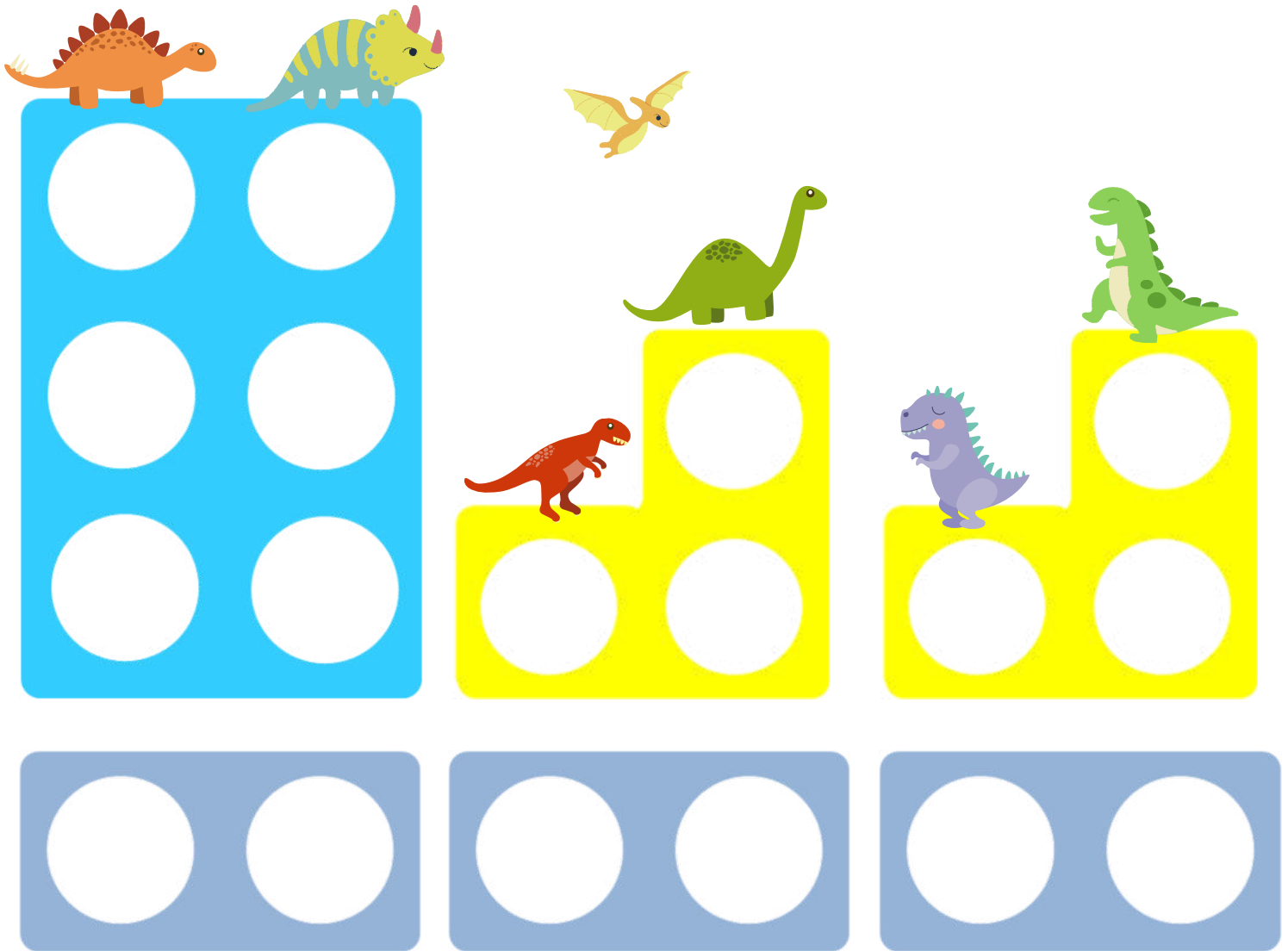




HURRAY!

It worked! The Dinky Dinosaurs can get across the Chocolate River. On they go on their adventure!

Egg meanwhile is rolling behind them and has found something in the grass. It's a bag with these in. 'Take a look' - what can you see together?



The Dinky Dinosaurs decide to take these with them on their adventures. So they don't drop them, Gustave says we need to read this together to keep them safe...

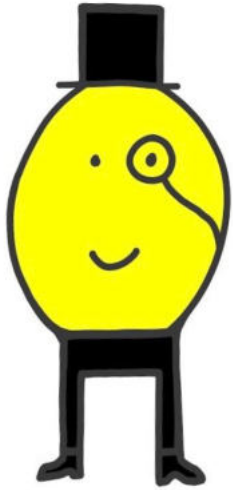
I went to the Moon.





WHAT HAVE YOU HEARD, FRANK LEMONCURD?

Frank Lemoncurd has been listening extra carefully and he heard all of this:



a twig snapping

a leaf dreaming

a glass of lemonade fizzing

a kettle singing

a zip on a coat

washing drying

a phone ringing

a shoe being put on

What can you hear? What can you pretend to hear?

Listening like Frank Lemoncurd is a way to bring children's attention to the world. You can do lots of pretending while out and about - imagining what it might be that is making sounds.

The main thing is to do it together and enjoy the warmth of listening.

What sounds can you hear when you put your shoes on?





THE MOONPIN RHYMING CLUB

The Moonpins like to play rhyming games and sometimes they come to Adventure Island and leave rhyming words to find. Eppie found these, but do they rhyme?



munch bunch crunch tap

shoot hoot boot toot

flop hop pop bin

grow sow toe go

plan man flan gran

Remember - show, not tell. We are just sharing the joy without expectation of reading this words. The Moopin Rhyming Club is about rhyme. If you're child points to letters or wants to read the words then share that joy too.

You might even like to make up your own!





ADVENTURE ISLAND PASSWORDS

Hoddy Dod had found some messages from the birds that he looks after. I wonder if we can read them together? Let's give it a go!



plop ploop plop ploop

Little stones go plop when they land in water. I wonder if we can finish off the rhyme below?



Plop, plop, just can't stop
Plopping while we jump, plopping while we hop
Plopping in the water, plopping in the tea
Plopping in the river and plopping in the ____



Why not find some small things to plop into water at home
- maybe in a bucket, a cup, the sink or even the bath!.



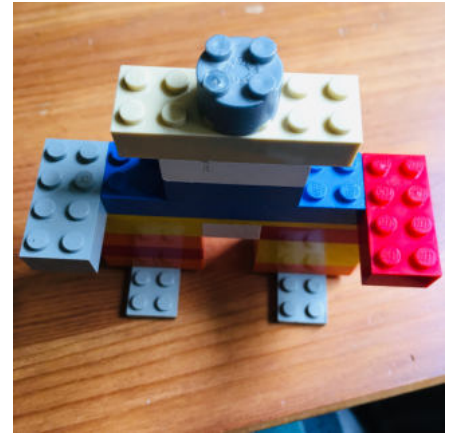
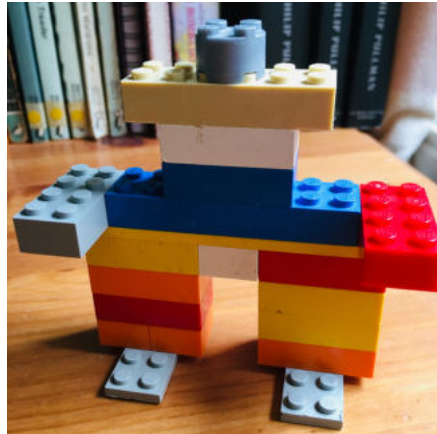


TITCH'S BUILDING CLUB



Welcome to Titch's Building Club!

Titch is a Moonpin who is the best builder on Adventure Island. If anyone wants something building then they always ask her to do it!



Hoddy Dod wants help to collect messages from the birds he looks after so he's asked Titch to build for him a Messaging Robot. Titch has made one that is quite short and stubby but it has a password to help it fly right up to the top of the trees!

When you say the password, the Messaging Robot has rocket boots and they fire it up, up, up into the air. Here's the password:



shoot boot

I wonder what the password is to bring it back down??!



Why not take a photo of your Messaging Robot and send it to the Gang? We'd love to see what you come up with!!





THE MAGIC MUDLARKING BELL



Ding-a-ling, ding-a-ling,
ding-a-ling !! Oh my
goodness me, it's the Magic
Mudlarking Bell!

Whenever it rings three
times, something magical
appears. I wonder what we'll
find today?

1 2 3

Hhhmm - something doesn't look right... It might be one of the three little pigs but if you look carefully, you can see that this little pig has a furry tail and claws...

Uh oh! It's the Big Bad Wolf in disguise! He's trying to trick the three little pigs in their brick house. Help! We'll need to warn the pigs that the Big Bad Wolf has a Trick Trap!!!! I've got a great idea - let's all huff and puff as hard as we can to blow the wolf's disguise away. Ready?

Let's count back from ten...

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 BLOW!



I wonder where the Big Bad Wolf got his disguise from?
And I wonder if we can put a forcefield around the house
to stop the wolf getting in ever again? What might the
passcode be?





NUMBERS!!!

Each character on Adventure Island has a number that belongs to them! Here they are:

0 *Windy Dindy* *Imagine his mouth blowing away the Cloudigans*

1 *Grumpa* *There's only one Grumpa!*



2 *Bonnie and Eppie* *Two little dogs*

3 *The Bog Babies* *Picture them curled up inside the number!*



4 *The Poggle* *He takes messages to the 4 corners of the World*

5 *Smeech* *The capital S in Smeech echoes the number 5*





NUMBERS!!!

Each character on Adventure Island has a number that belongs to them! Here they are:

6 Noodle *Write the number 6 while saying "Noodle" - they fit perfectly!!*

7 The Tick Tocks *The number looks like clock hands and it fits when you write it too!*

8 The Badger Rabbit *Imagine the Badger Rabbit crawling through the two holes!!*

9 The Minpins *There's lots of Minpins so they need a big number!!*

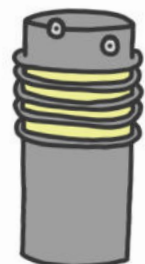
10 The Moonpins *The 1 looks like a rocket and the 0 looks like the Moon :)*

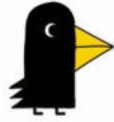
Who has the smallest number?
Grumpa or Noodle?



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